

material that produces a slight adhesion with the inside of the user's lips and cheeks to assist in holding the mouthpiece in place. When used with an nCPAP system, the mouthpiece of the present invention seals the mouth to prevent air from the nCPAP system from leaking out of the mouth, allowing accurate titration of the air pressure needed by the user. Accurate titration using the mouthpiece of the present invention generally results in a lower prescribed pressure, which decreases the side effects of the nCPAP system, makes it easier for the user to exhale and, as a result, leads to increased compliance with the nCPAP treatment program. The mouthpiece may also be used by the user with home nCPAP systems to assure the air is traveling through the airway, and not out of the mouth, to achieve maximum benefits from the nCPAP program.

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Please insert new paragraph [0020.1], as follows:

[0020.1] Figure 6, depicts the mouthpiece of Figure 1 in use with an nCPAP system.

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Please insert new paragraph [0031.1], as follows:

[0033.1] Figure 6, depicts mouthpiece 10 in use with an nCPAP system. Air source 40 supplies a steady stream of air through a tube that connects to mask 38. Although mask 38 can cover both the mouth and nose, mask 38 usually covers only the nose, as shown in Figure 6.

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In the Drawings:

Please replace the drawings submitted with the original application with the replacement drawings submitted herewith.